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AMENDMENTS

Please amend the subject U.S. Divisional Patent Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

22. (Amended) The signaling node of claim 18 wherein the first communication module is adapted to send the ticket voucher request messages only in response to determining that a linkset to which the enqueued messages are addressed is off-hold.
23. (Amended) The signaling node of claim 18 wherein each of the second communication modules includes a grant timer for spacing issuance of the ticket voucher grants over a predetermined time interval.

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